2016 Charles E. Shannon Community Safety Initiative

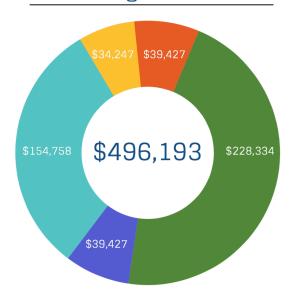
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Funded Partners

Bristol County District Attorney's Office, Bristol County Sheriff's Office, H.O.P.E. Collaborative, New Bedford Police Department, PAACA

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts's Charles E. Shannon Community Safety Initiative (Shannon) is modeled after the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's Comprehensive Gang Model (CGM). Shannon is a multi-sector approach used to address a community's gang and youth violence problem. Each community receiving Shannon funding demonstrates the presence of risk factors for youth and gang violence. In each Shannon community, partners implement strategies that align with the CGM and respond to community problems. These strategies include education and employment opportunities, case management and street outreach or intervention, positive youth development and recreation, and coordinating a law enforcement response through suppression. Shannon participants must be between the ages of 10-24 years, live in a high-risk area, and be high-risk or at-risk of becoming involved, or are currently involved, in gang activity. To learn more visit: http://www.mass.gov/eopss/funding-andtraining/justice-and-prev/grants/shannon-csi/

Funding Allocation



533 Total Youth Served

86.1%

Youth in danger of engaging in risky behavior or gang activity due to the presence of known risk factors such as exposure to gang affiliates in their home or community.

7.3% High-Risk

Youth exposed to the same risk factors as at-risk youth, as well as additional risk factors such as school failure, dropping out, truancy, substance abuse, and gang involvement as an affiliate or member not yet participating in violent criminal activity.



Youth who are perpetrators or victims of shooting or stabbing violence, and/or are known gang members.

=10% of Youth Served

Shannon Strategies & Outcomes

Positive Youth Development Recreation*



39 Participated in Positive Youth Development **Programs**

Developed Communication and **Conflict Resolution** Skills

39

Case Management & Street Outreach or Intervention



Received Street Outreach Services

109

Street Outreach Deployments to Hot Spots

60

Education **Employment**



Participated in Education **Programs**

39

Participated in **Employment Programs**

39

Suppression



80 **Hot Spot Patrols** Completed

20 Gang Members and **High Impact Players** Arrested

Community Mobilization



People Attended Events, Meetings, and Presentations

541

Community Events, Meetings, and Presentations Held

75

* Positive Youth Development refers to intentional efforts to provide opportunities for youth to enhance their interests, skills, and abilities.

Community Risk Factors		
Massachusetts		New Bedford
6,794,422	Total Population (2015 Estimate)	94,958
11.5%	Population Lives in Poverty	23.4%
2.8%	Unemployment Rate	6.6%
953,429	Total Public School Population (2015-2016)	12,681
27.4%	Economically Disadvantaged	55.7%
4.9%	High School Dropout Rate	17.0%

Sources: www.census.gov/quickfacts; profiles.doe.mass.edu/; www.mass.gov/lwd/economic-data/

New Bedford's Gang Activity

19

Street Gangs

191

Gang Members Under 25 Years Old During 2016, New Bedford Police Department identified 19 active gangs comprising 510 males and females, of which 37.5% were under the age of 25. Females and males conducted gang-related crimes with female members found to conceal guns or drugs, as well as provide other gang members a place to reside.

5-Year Crime Trends for Young People Ages 10-24, 2012-2016

